

Joseph's Journey

Genesis 37 - 50

Lesson 4

Read Genesis 42-45

Read Genesis 42-45 in a Children's Bible or click on the link below to watch a video from Saddleback Kids:

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Joseph Forgives, Genesis 42-45

Share the answers to the following questions with an adult in your house.

- I. Joseph's brothers don't recognize him, but Joseph remembers them and the dreams he had a long time ago. Do you remember those dreams?
- 2. Joseph's brothers tried to hide their sin from their father and from their heavenly Father. When we hide our sin, what is the result?
- 3. Joseph doesn't reveal himself to his brothers. Instead, he sends food home with his brothers but keeps Simeon behind and tells the brothers to bring Benjamin back to Egypt. Joseph places food and something else in their packs. What was it? (Genesis 42:25).



- 4. Oh, no! The brothers see the money in their packs. Why are the brothers afraid? (Genesis 42:28, 35-36)
- 5. Jacob and his sons run out of food, again, and Jacob tells his sons to get more food from Egypt. Who goes with the brothers to Egypt this time?
- 6. When the brothers realize the Egyptian ruler is their brother Joseph, what do they do? (Genesis 45:3)
- 7. How does Joseph show his brothers forgiveness?
- 8. Who does Joseph say is in control of everything that happened to Joseph?
- 9. Why did God save Joseph? What would have happened to Jacob and his children if God had not saved Joseph and blessed him in Egypt?
- 10. What did you learn about God's character this week?

Prayer: Father God, thank you for forgiving my sin. Help me to be forgiving toward others just like Jospeh forgave his brothers. Help me to trust that You are always in control even when life is difficult and sad. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Memory Verse: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him..." Romans 8:28

"God would use Joseph to save Israel so that one day Jesus would come from Israel's line and save us all."

Marty Machowski, The Gospel Story Bible